

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 1, line 5 delete the following header:

**Description**

On page 1, line 6, in the space above the paragraph beginning "The present invention relates to..." please insert the header:

**FIELD OF INVENTION**

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at page 1, line 8:

**PRIORITY OF OTHER APPLICATIONS**

This application claims priority from German Patent Application No. 102 38 812.1-33, filed August 23, 2002, and entitled SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY APPARATUS WITH VARIABLE CONTACT CONNECTIONS, AND A CORRESPONDING SEMICONDUCTOR APPARATUS.

On page 1, line 9, in the blank space above the paragraph beginning "Semiconductor memory...", insert the header:

**BACKGROUND**

On page 1, line 29, in the blank space above the paragraph beginning "One object of the ...", insert the following header:

**SUMMARY**

Delete the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 36, which begins "The object is achieved by...".

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On page 10, line 9, insert the header:

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

On page 11, line 35, in the blank space above the paragraph beginning "Figure 1 shows ...", insert the header:

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION**

Delete pages 28 and 29 in its entirety.

Please delete the abstract and add the following new abstract: